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TO-DAY'S VISITORS.

Once again it is our pleasure to welcome Oldham to Craven Park. First may we offer them our belated, but nevertheless sincere, congratulations on winning the League Championship last season. After being at the top of the League table the whole season and playing good open football to keep themselves there, there is no doubt they are worthy champions. The Oldham team this season is very similar in construction to last season, so no doubt they will be expecting another good season. As with all good teams Oldham have a good pack of forwards with Keith seeing that they get a

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good share of the ball from the scrums, and Little, Jackson and Turner playing top class football in the loose. Half-backs Pitchford and Stirrup are a first class link between the forwards and the three-quarters, where Etty and Dick Cracknell are dangerous wingers, both are strong, powerful runners, and do not need much room in which to work. At full-back, of course, there is Ganley, who, apart from being a very safe full-back is a very good goal-kicker.

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OUR TEAM.

Our display last Saturday was, to say the least, disappointing.

The weaknesses in the team are, of course, apparent to us all and efforts are being made to put things right. The club have had a very successful run for the past 5 or 6 seasons and I suppose that a slump in playing fortunes is to be expected, whilst we rebuild with some new material. Other teams have had the same unfortunate experience, Wigan, Warrington and Swinton, to name three teams, have found, that after a successful run of a few seasons, the team starts to break up, and fortunes vary until a new combination is knit together.

We, at Barrow, will try to make this transitional period as short as possible. You might ask — What are the Board doing to get new players? Well, in a search for forwards of the right type, we have asked all the leading clubs about players on their registers, we have studied the retained lists of every club in the League, and efforts have been made to secure players who we think would fit into our team. We asked a Yorkshire club about forwards and they told us that there were good forwards in the district, but they would not even play for the local club because they were making £20, plus, a week down the mines and

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would not risk injury on the football field, with the consequent loss of time from work. We have invited all the promising juniors from around the district to train with us for a few weeks so they can get the benefit of our training methods and coaching, then they will be given a chance to prove their worth.

In addition we get regular reports from Cumberland, South Lancashire and the Midlands. We know the type of player we want, and it is to be hoped that our efforts to secure them will meet with success.

Injuries have, of course, dealt us a pretty severe blow and at the moment I am writing we have Willie Horne

(pulled calf muscle), Dennis Goodwin (cartilage operation), Joe Ball (damaged cheek bone), Donald Wilson (damaged ankle), Ron Fisher (injured wrist), Frank Hubbard (dislocated shoulder), William High (bruised thigh), David Black (concussion). These injuries are all making progress under treatment and it is possible that some of these players will be available for selection in tonight's team. The injury to Frank Hubbard is especially to be regretted, during the past two seasons he has had a great deal of trouble with his right shoulder but he persevered with treatment and was determined this season to show us that he was the good forward we

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- 4 Ayres
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- 9 Keith
- 10 Vines
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- 12 Dufy
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all hoped he would make two seasons ago, then, in a practice match, he had the great misfortune to dislocate his left shoulder. We all wish him a speedy and complete recovery

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There is no doubt that the club are going to need a lot of money during the next few months, and in this respect the Progressive Branch are determined to help, we therefore appeal to all supporters who are not members to join.

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Contact Mr. A. Siddaway, the Chairman, or any committee man, for further details

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The offside rule perhaps causes more arguments than any other, therefore today we print it in full for the benefit of those who are not quite clear about it all and it might even help some of those who think they are!

OFFSIDE

1—A player shall be offside if the ball is kicked, touched, or held by one of his own side behind him.

2—An offside player shall not (a) touch the ball, (b) actively or passively obstruct an opponent, (c) encroach within five yards of an opponent who is waiting for the ball or (d) attempt in any way to

prevent an opponent from making a fair catch.

3—If a player is guilty of a deliberate breach of these Laws the non-offending side shall have the option of taking a penalty kick where such breach occurs or of forming a scrum where the ball was last played by the offending side before the breach occurred.

4—In the case of unintentional offside a scrum will be formed where the infringement occurred.

5—A player can be offside in his opponent's in-goal but not in his own except from a Free Kick.

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6—An offside player who is within five yards of an opponent who first catches the ball after it has been played by one of the offside players' side cannot be placed onside unless he retires a distance of five yards or more from such opponent. With this exception an offside player can be placed onside if

(a) An opponent runs five yards or more with the ball.

(b) An opponent touches the ball without retaining it in his possession.

(c) One of his own side in possession of the ball runs in front of him.

(d) One of his own side runs in front of him after having kicked the ball forward provided that the kicker is within the field of play when in front of the offside player.

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TO-DAY'S SCORE SHEET

Barrow Scorers

Tries—

Goals—

Result

Oldham Scorers

Tries—

Goals—

Result

First Team Appearances

Up to and including 17th Aug
All the undermentioned players have made 1 appearance:
Davies, Woosey, Redhead, Stuart, Parker, Grundy, Healey, Johnson, Hinchley, Leatherbarrow, Rea, Castle, Skeels.

Scorers

Up to and including 17th Aug
TRIES: Castle 2, Davies 1.
GOALS: Skeels 1.

Fixture List

August		F A	
10	St. Helens	a	13 79
17	Wakefield T.	h	11 31
22	Oldham	h	
24	Leeds	a	
26	Workington	a	
31	Oldham (1st L.C.)	a	
September			
7	Huddersfield	h	
14	Hunslet	a	
21	Halifax	h	
28	Wigan	a	
October			
5	Widnes	h	
12	Halifax	a	
19	Hunslet	h	
26	Hull	a	
November			
2	Blackpool	h	
9	Rochdale H.	a	
16	St Helens	h	
23	Salford	a	
30	Rochdale H.	h	
December			
7	St. Helens	a	
14	Leigh	h	
21	Warrington	h	
25	Wakefield	a	
26	Workington	h	
28	Liverpool City	h	
January, 1958			
4	Salford	h	
11	Oldham	a	
18	Leeds	h	
25	Huddersfield	h	
February			
1	Swinton	h	
8	First Round - Challenge Cup		
15	Warrington	a	
22	Second Rd - Challenge Cup		
March			
1	Swinton	a	
8	Third Rd - Challenge Cup		
	Hull	h	
15	Leigh	a	
22	Liverpool City	h	
29	Semi-Final - Challenge Cup		
April			
4	Whitehaven	h	
5	Blackpool B.	a	
7	Whitehaven	a	
12	Widnes	a	
19	Wigan	h	

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